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SUBJECT: EC/ACP CONVENTION OF LOME: TEETHING TROUBLES

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1. THE ISSUE OF ACP DISSATISFACTION WITH EC HANDLING OF CONVENTION IMPLEMENTATION (REFTELS) HAS BEEN NOTED IN THE EUROPEAN PRESS, IN THE BRUSSELS-BASED EUROPEAN REPORT, AS WELL AS AMONGST MISSION CONTACTS. ACP FRUSTRATION REPORTEDLY CENTERS ON ITS PERCEPTION OF INADEQUATE EC EFFORTS TO CONSULT ITS ACP "PARTNERS." SPECIFICALLY, THE PLANS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF THE INTERIM TRADE ARRANGEMENTS AFTER JULY 1, 1975 (I.E., ADVANCE UNILATERAL IMPLEMENTATION OF THE EC/ACP TRADE REGIME, PENDING RATIFICATION OF THE FULL CONVENTION BY ALL EC AND ACP STATES) HAVE, IN THE ACP VIEW, BEEN CHARACTERIZED MORE BY A NARROW LEGALISTIC ATTITUDE ON THE PART OF THE EC RATHER THAN BY A BROAD, GENEROUS APPROACH IN HARMONY WITH THE SPIRIT OF LOME. THE ACPS ARE DISSAPPOINTED THAT THE PROVISIONS FOR JOINT EC/ACP CONSULTATIONS ON SUCH MATTERS ARE NOT YET FULLY IN EFFECT.

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THEY CONSIDER IT INSUFFICIENT MERELY TO BE INFORMED OF

THE CONTENTS OF DRAFT EC REGULATIONS. THE EC FOR ITS PART SEES THE QUESTION DIFFERENTLY. FIRST IT BELIEVES THAT THE INTERIM MEASURES ARE OF NECESSITY UNILATERAL EC ACTIONS AND DO NOT REQUIRE LONG, COMPLICATED CONSULTATION WITH THE ACPS. SECOND, THE COMMISSION FEARS THAT THE ALREADY LENGTHY PROCESS OF RATIFICATION OF THE LOME CONVENTION IN THE EC MEMBER STATES COULD BE SERIOUSLY DEAYLED BY A DRAWN-OUT SERIES OF SUCH CONSULTATIONS.

2. THE ACP GROUP IS ALSO REPORTED TO BE UNHAPPY OVER CONSULTATION RE ARRANGEMENTS COVERING ACP SUGAR EXPORTS TO THE UK, OVER PAYMENT OF IMPORT LEVIES ON BEEF FROM AFRICA, AND OVER THE LACK OF EFFECTIVE CONSULTATION ON THE QUESTION OF GATT HANDLING OF THE CONVENTION.
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